

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Group Art Unit: 1754  
Examiner: P. Lish  
For: RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCE DECONTAMINATION  
METHOD AND APPARATUS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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March 24, 2004

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above application  
as follows.